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NEWS RELEASE

To: Local Media

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COVID-19 Daily Update

The Rock County Public Health Department wants to provide consistent and open communication with the media as an avenue to communicate with our partners and the public during the COVID-19 situation. We will do this is by sending daily updates to our media contacts at 4:00pm during the work week and as needed on weekends .

Many of the updates around COVID-19 and the current situation from the State and other partners occur each day in the early afternoon. The 4:00pm media release gives us enough time to provide the most up to date information.

We hope that this will meet your needs for timely information during this rapidly evolving situation. If you have specific questions you would like addressed, please send them to the Rock County Emergency Operating Center's Public Information Officer, Kelsey Cordova, kelsey.cordova@co.rock.wi.us, before 2:00pm each day. We will try to address your questions and concerns through this unified daily update.

The Rock County Public Health office will be working remotely effective Monday, March 16, 2020. This will enable us to ensure the health of our workforce while we continue to respond to the COVID-19 situation. Essential operations will continue as usual, except we will all not be physically co-located. We are responding to all requests in a timely fashion based on priority.

As of today, there are 47 confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 in the state of Wisconsin, with one of those cases already recovered. There are currently 0 positive cases in Rock County.

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